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SUBJECT: ECHEVERRIA "TO RESOLVE" WAGE NEGOTIATION IMPASSE

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1. LABOR AND MANAGEMENT PUBLIC POSITIONS ARE STILL FAR APART IN NEGOTIATIONS FOR EXTRAORDINARY WAGE INCREASE FOLLOWING PESO FLOAT. LABOR IS DEMANDING 65 PERCENT INCREASE; MANAGEMENT HAS OFFERED 10 PERCENT.

2. ACCORDING TO MEX PRESS, PRES ECHEVERRIA WILL "RESOLVE" IMPASSE IF TALKS SCHEDULED SEPT 23 FAIL TO PRODUCE BREAK-THROUGH.

3. LABOR SPOKESMAN SAY 62,000 STRIKE NOTICES HAVE BEEN FILED; STRIKE DEADLINE IS MID-DAY, SEPT 28.

4. GOM SEC OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE CAMPILLO SAINZ MEANWHILE, ANNOUNCED 85 ADDITIONAL ARTICLES WILL BE ADDED TO LIST OF ARTICLES SUBJECT TO PRICE CONTROLS.

5. COMMENT: ANNOUNCEMENT THAT PRESIDENT WILL RESOLVE IMPASSE MAY BE INDICATION THAT PRIVATE POSITIONS OF LABOR AND MANAGEMENT ARE CLOSER TO EACH THAN PUBLIC ONES. PERSONAL

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PRESTIGE OF PRESIDENT IS NOT USUALLY PUT ON THE LINE

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